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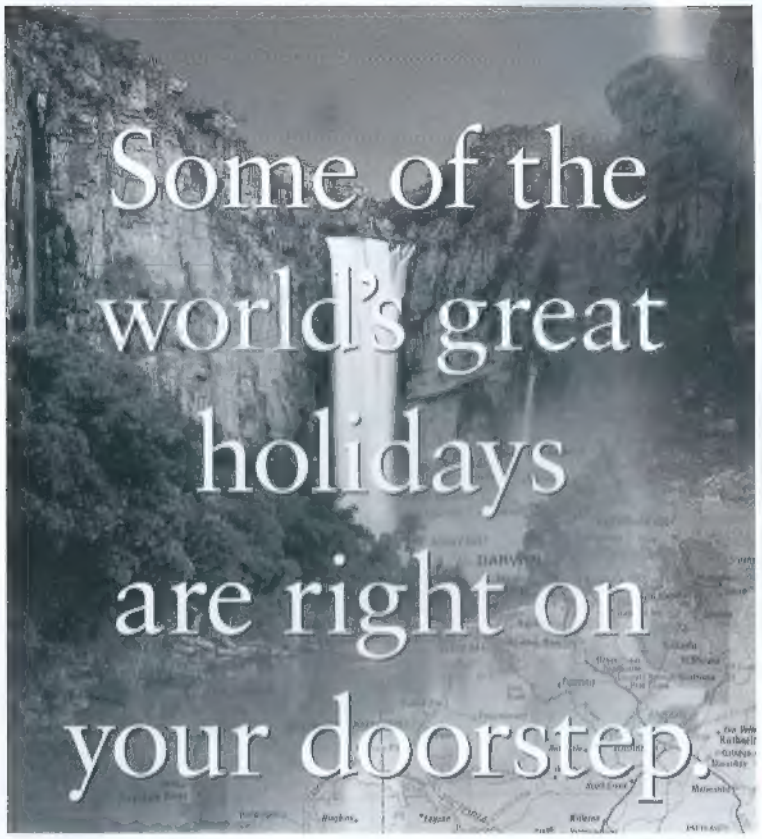

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Sporting battles between Australia and New Zealand have an enduring tradition in Australia's sporting culture... soccer is no exception.

The battles between Australia and New Zealand in World Cup qualifiers have been great contests and I'm sure will continue as both countries aim for soccer's ultimate goal... the World Cup.

On behalf of Soccer Australia, I am pleased that our two great sporting nations are again doing battle, this time in the world's most popular sport and we extend a warm welcome to the New Zealand team and officials.

The inaugural Ansett Challenge, we hope, will become as traditional as the other trans-Tasman contests.

Soccer Australia would also like to thank the continued support of its sponsors who not only assist with the **Coca-Cola** Socceroos but Australian soccer in general.

Finally, I would like to wish both teams the best of luck in the Ansett Challenge and extend a special thanks to the peopleo f Newcastle for their support of the **Coca-Cola** Socceroos tonight.

David Hill
Chairman

Coca-Cola SOCCEROOS

PLAYER PROFILES

PAUL WADE (6)

Date of Birth: 20.03.63
Midfielder (Captain)
Canberra Cosmos
A Internationals 76
Ht: 181 cms
Goals 10
Wt: 72 kgs
Australia's highest capped player. Made national team debut in 1986 against China. One of his highlights is marking Maradona - and doing a great job - in the two World Cup qualifiers against Argentina in 1993. An inspiration to his team-mates and a credit to his country.

TONY POPOVIC (5)

Date of Birth: 4.07.73
Defender
Sydney United
A Internationals 6
Ht: 193 cms
Goals 0
Wt: 93 kgs
Has worked his way up through the ranks from the Coca-Cola Joeys (under 17s), Coca-Cola Young Socceroos (under 20s), Coca-Cola Olympics (Barcelona Olympics) and now Coca-Cola Socceroos. Talented player who can be used as a sweeper, central defender or mid-fielder. One of the nice guys of the game.

JOE SPITERI (11)

Date of Birth: 06.05.73
Striker
Melbourne Knights
A Internationals 2
Ht: 178 cms
Goals 0
Wt: 75 kgs
Joe's move last season to the Melbourne Knights to partner Mark Viduka developed into one of the most lethal strike forces last seasons. A good worker, Joe is able to finish chances effectively and is always hungry for goals. Scored one of the two goals in the Melbourne Knights Grand Final victory over Adelaide City.

MILAN IVANOVIC (4)

Date of Birth: 21.12.60
Sweeper
Adelaide City
A Internationals 94
Ht: 187 cms
Goals 0
Wt: 80 kgs
Veteran campaigner but still a vital part of the Coca-Cola Socceroo squad. The former Red Star Belgrade player first represented Australia in 1991 against Czechoslovakia. Milan was voted 1990/91 Player of the Year in the Ericsson Cup. Everything he does on the field is touched with class. One of the most popular players in the game.

JASON POLAK (2)

Date of Birth: 9.01.68
Midfielder
Brisbane Striker
A Internationals 17
Ht: 179 cms
Goals 1
Wt: 78 kgs
Quality midfielder who is now starting to make his mark for the national team. Who will ever forget his wonderful solo effort to score against South Africa in a match at the Sydney Football Stadium last year? Skilful player and good to watch now with the Brisbane Strikers in the Ericsson Cup.

DANIEL TIATTO (10)

Date of Birth: 22.05.73
Midfielder
Melbourne Knights
A Internationals: 2
Ht: 170cms
Goals: 0
Wt: 70kgs
Daniel's debut season was one to remember. Played his first season for the Melbourne Knights in their Championship year, as well as debuting for the Coca-Cola Socceroos and Coca-Cola Olyroos. Daniel was nominated last season's Players' Player of the Year Award, the Warren Medal, missing out to his Knights team mate, Mark Viduka.

ALEX TOBIN (3)

Date of Birth: 5.04.66
Defender
Adelaide City
A Internationals 48
Ht: 190 cms
Goals 1
Wt: 80 kgs
A long standing member of the Coca-Cola Socceroos. A quiet achiever because he does his job so well you never seem to notice him much on the field. Made his debut for the Coca-Cola Socceroos as a substitute against IFK Gothenburg in January, 1988. Has marked some of the best strikers in the world - and finished on top. He is intelligent and personable.

SEAN CRANNEY (16)

Date of Birth: 02.10.72
Midfielder
Brisbane Strikers
A Internationals 0
Ht: 182 cms
Goals 0
Wt: 78 kgs
Making his debut for the senior team, Sean was a member of the 1993 Coca-Cola Young Socceroo team that finished fourth in the FIFA/Coca-Cola Cup in Australia. Quick and always on the move, Sean has an exceptional work rate and possesses an accurate cross. Sean is a superb athlete who is suited to his wide midfield role.

DAMIEN MORI (7)

Date of Birth: 30.09.70
Midfielder
Adelaide City
A Internationals 15
Ht: 185 cms
Goals 1
Wt: 85 kgs
A member of Australia's 1992 Olympic team, Damien is fast becoming a permanent member of the Coca-Cola Socceroo squad, with France 1998 his main objective. In Adelaide Damien Mori is a hero. His world class goal against Melbourne Knights gave Adelaide City the Championship, their third, in the 1993/94 Grand Final.

JOHN MARKOVSKI (12)

Date of Birth: 15.04.70

Striker-Midfielder
Melbourne Knights
A Internationals 10
Ht: 186 cms
Goals 1
Wt: 89 kgs
A former Coca-Cola Olyroo, John is finally starting to show everyone that he is capable of matching it at this level. Rated one of the best players in the country. He might be big and strong but it does not detract from his skill and scoring ability. Has one of the hardest left-foot shots in the country. Recently joined Champions Melbourne Knights.

FRANK JURIC (1)

Date of Birth: 28.10.73
Goal Keeper
Melbourne Knights
A Internationals 0
Ht: 193 cms
Goals 0
Wt: 91 kgs
Making his debut for the senior team Frank is another example of the strength of Australian goalkeeping. Frank partnered Vince Matassa at the 1993 World Youth Championship for the FIFA/Coca-Cola Cup held in Australia. Commanding in the air, Frank possesses a long kick. A good organiser around his goal mouth. A graduate of the Australian Institute of Sport.

PAUL TRIMBOLI (15)

Date of Birth: 25.02.69
Striker
South Melbourne
A Internationals 11
Ht: 177 cms
Goals 4
Wt: 85 kgs
Paul makes his return to the senior team after a two year absence. A former scholarship holder at the Australian Institute of Sport, Paul represented the Coca-Cola Joeys as well as the Coca-Cola Young Socceroos. Made his debut with the Coca-Cola Socceroos in 1988, against Fiji. First played in the Ericsson Cup with Sunshine George Cross before joining his current club South Melbourne.

MILAN BLAGOJEVIC (8)

Date of Birth: 24.12.69
Defender/Midfielder
UTS Olympic
A Internationals 7
Ht: 183 cms
Goals 0
Wt: 80 kgs
One of the most talented players in the Ericsson Cup, Milan returned to Australia after stints in Belgium and Holland. Milan made his debut for the Coca-Cola Socceroos as a substitute in the Presidents Cup matches in South Korea in 1991.A member of the 1992 Coca-Cola Olyroos in their fourth placed effort at the Barcelona Olympics.

WARREN SPINK (9)

Date of Birth: 04.10.66
Striker
Marwell Falcons
A Internationals 20
Ht: 170 cms
Goals 8
Wt: 72 kgs
Made his debut for Australia against New Zealand in Dunedin in 1988. One of the more experienced members of the Coca-Cola Socceroos, Warren has been on several tours with the National team, including the tour of North and South America in 1992.

JASON PETKOVIC (18)

Date of Birth: 07.12.72
Goalkeeper
Adelaide City
A Internationals
Ht: 196 cms
Goals
Wt: 85 kgs
The second of Eddie Thomson's debutant goalkeepers, Jason made his debut in the Ericsson Cup last season replacing former Coca-Cola Socceroo Robert Zabica. He is now the regular keeper for last years Grand Finalists Adelaide City. Jason is a further example of Australia's strength in goalkeeping.

ANDREW MARTH (14)

Date of Birth: 10.02.69
Stopper
Melbourne Knights
A Internationals 11
Ht: 183 cms
Goals 0
Wt: 83 kgs
Captain of the current Ericsson Cup Champions the Melbourne Knights. Made his return to the national team in the one off game against Argentina held in June this year. A strong defender Andrew made his debut for the Coca-Cola Socceroos against New Zealand in Christchurch in 1991.

ROBERT HOOKER (13)

Date of Birth: 06.03.67
Defender
West Adelaide
A Internationals 1
Ht: 177cms
Goals 0
Wt: 71 kgs
Captain of Ericsson Cup side West Adelaide. Robbie returns to the national team after making his debut against South Korea in 1990. Formerly with Ericsson Cup sides UTS Olympic and Sydney City. Robbie was a member of the 1985 Coca-Cola Young Socceroo side.

MATTHEW BINGLEY (17)

Date of Birth: 16.08.71
Defender Matthew Bingley
A Internationals 1
Ht: 181 cms
Goals 0
Wt: 82 kgs
Made his debut for the Coca-Cola Socceroos in their 1-0 loss to South Korea, last September, in Seoul. A member of the 1992/93 Championship winnering Marconi-Fairfield side. Matthew was a member of the Coca-Cola Young Socceroos (under 20) who finished fourth in the World Youth Championship for the FIFA/Coca-Cola Cup in Portugal in 1991.

EDDIE THOMSON

NATIONAL COACH
Date of Birth: 25 February, 1947
PLAYING CAREER
Scottish Premier Division
8 years - Heart of Midlothian
4 years - Aberdeen
North American Soccer League
1 year - San Antonio Thunder
Australia
3 years - Sydney City
PLAYING HONOURS
Scottish U/23 International
Scottish League Select
COACHING CAREER
7 years - Sydney City - Manager Coach
3 years - Sydney Olympic - Manager Coach
Australian Staff Coach
Scottish FA full badge holder
FIFA Coach
1 year - National Director of Coaching
COACHING HONOURS - CLUB
Sydney City - won every honour in NSL
1981, 1984, 1985 - Australian Coach of the Year
1989 - Sydney Olympic - Grand Finalists and NSL Cup Finalists
COACHING HONOURS - INTERNATIONAL
5 years - Assistant National Coach
1990 -National Coach
1992 - Semi-finalist - Olympic Games - Barcelona, Spain
PLAYING HONOURS
1964 - 1968: 11 appearances in National Team
1965: Australia's first World Cup Captain V North Korea
Scored Australia's first ever World Cup goal V North Korea
COACHING CAREER
1974: Assistant National Coach - World Cup Finals
1979 - 1981: Assistant National Coach
1981 - 1984: National Coach
1981 - 1983: National Youth Coach
1986: National Youth Coach
1990: Assistant National Coach
COACHING HONOURS - INTERNATIONAL
1981: Quarter Finalists - U/20 WYC - Australia
1983: Finals Series - U/20 WYC - Mexico
1987: Finals Series - U/20 WYC - Chile
1989: Qualification Series Play-Offs, Qatar, New Zealand U/20 WYC
1991: Semi-Finalists - U/20 WYC - Portugal
1993: Semi-Finalists - U/20 WYC - Australia
1991: Quarter Finalists - U/17 FIFA/JVC Cup - Italy
1993: Quarter Finalists - U/17 FIFA/JVC Cup - Japan
1995: Quarter Finalist - U/20 WYC - Qatar
1995: Quarter Finalists - U/17 FIFA/JVC Cup - Ecuador

LES SCHEINFLUG

ASSISTANT NATIONAL COACH/NATIONAL YOUTH COACH
Date of Birth: 1 October, 1938
PLAYING CAREER
1957 - 1968 - Sydney FC Prague
1969 - 1970 - Marconi Fairfield (Player Coach)

TOUR OFFICIALS:

Head of Delegation: Charlie Caruso
Doctor: Dr Ron Mercelone
Physiotherapist: Peter Evangilopoulos
Gear Manager: Nelson Delasio

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It gives me great pleasure on behalf of the Soccer Fraternity of Northern New South Wales to welcome to Newcastle the Coca-Cola Socceroos and the New Zealand National team.

I have no doubt that players and officials from both teams will enjoy their stay in the Hunter Valley, the birthplace of Australian soccer. I look forward to a competitive and skilful match and hope for an Australian victory.

Finally, a word of thanks to our General Manager Garry Screen for his efforts in securing the match for Northern New South Wales and to Alan Nisbet, Keven Ross, Pat Clarke and the Newcastle Breakers for ensuring a successful International.

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Having narrowly missed out on qualification for next year's Atlanta Olympics, the focus of the sport's elite program is now directed towards the 1999 World Cup and of course, the 2000 Olympics. The players involved in tonight's match were selected from the National Senior Championships in Adelaide in September and are vying for positions in the National Elite Squad which will be announced at the end of the year.

Whilst in camp in the Hunter region this week, players have undergone extensive sports science testing, intensive training sessions and a number of games – all designed to assist the National Coach, Tom Sermanni identify and groom players for future national team activities.

In their home state, many of these players train regularly in Intensive Training Centres which have been established in New South Wales, Northern New South Wales, Queensland, the ACT, Victoria and South Australia. Scholarship programs make elite training available for players in Tasmania, Western Australia and the Northern Territory.

All the above is made viable through financial support from the Australian Sports Commission and the Australian Olympic Committee through the Olympic Athlete Program and the Australian Women's Soccer Association (AWSA) thanks them for their continued support. The AWSA would also like to thank Soccer Australia, the Northern New South Wales Soccer Federation and the Newcastle Breakers for the assistance and co-operation received in the staging of this match and we look forward to future ventures of a similar nature.

1995 NATIONAL TRAINING SQUAD

Anissa Tann-Darby, Traci Barlett, Michelle Watson, Joanne Peters, Jackie Hadden, Taryn Rockall (New South Wales), Denise Wright (Victoria), Sacha Wainwright, Karly Pumpa, Angie Bean, Amanda Butler (ACT), Lisa Dunne, Lisa Casagrande, Shelley Youman, Joanne Powell, Bridgette Starr (Northern NSW), Louise McMurtrie, Belinda Kitching, Tanya Corbett, Kim Revell (Queensland), Sharon Black, Dianne Alagich, Beverley Hollands, Kristyn Swaffer (South Australia), Lizzy Claydon, Tracey Wheeler, Penny Tanner (Western Australia), Sarah Cooper (Northern Territory).

Staff: Tom Sermanni (National Coach), Greg Brown, Tony Walmsley (ITC Coaches), Liz Broad (Nutritionist), Ed Hollis, Paul Hazel (Physiotherapists), Doug Tumilty (Sports Physiologist), Dr Kieran Fallon (Sports Doctor), and Sarah Groube (National Teams' Administrator).

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Spent time with English club Ipswich before returning to New Zealand. Former youth international who made his debut against the Denmark Olympic side in January 1995 after long-time goalkeeper, Australian based Clint Gosling, was overlooked. Strong all-round goalkeeper who has prospered since joining the National team. 8 caps.

BOBBY CLARK

NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL COACH
Former Aberdeen and Scotland goalkeeper. Has coached in Zimbabwe and in the USA. Took over the New Zealand National team in 1994.

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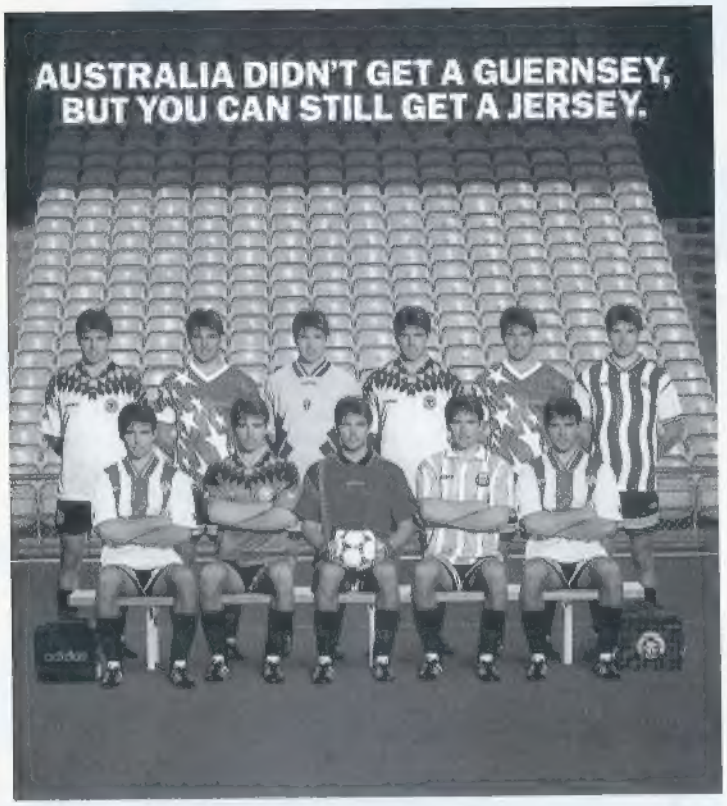

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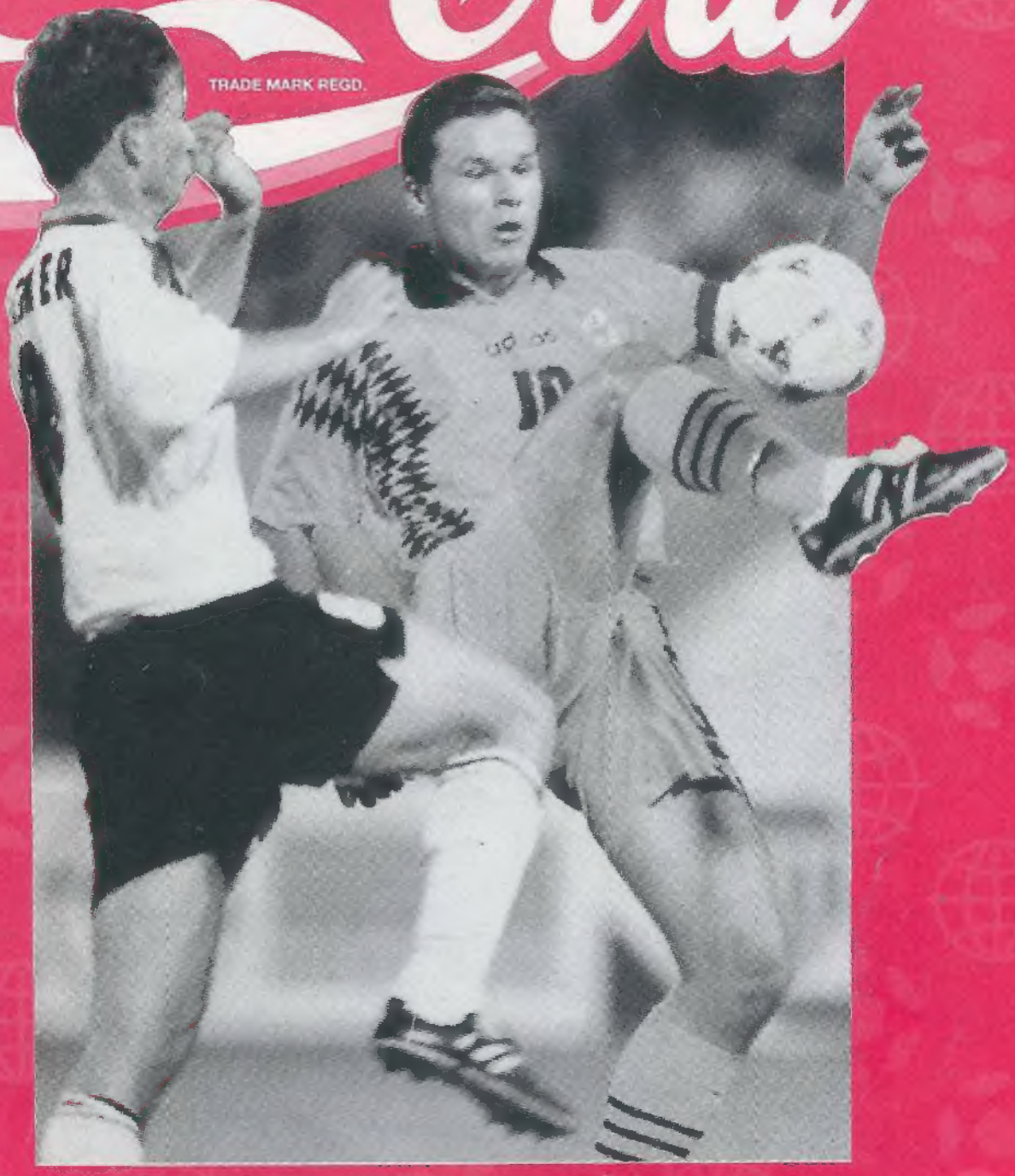

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Spent time with English club Ipswich before returning to New Zealand. Former youth international who made his debut against the Denmark Olympic side in January 1995 after long-time goalkeeper, Australian based Clint Gosling, was overlooked. Strong all-round goalkeeper who has prospered since joining the National team. 8 caps.

BOBBY CLARK

NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL COACH
Former Aberdeen and Scotland goalkeeper. Has coached in Zimbabwe and in the USA. Took over the New Zealand National team in 1994.

ASSISTANT COACHES:

Keith Pritchett
Waitakere City

Ken Dugdale
Wellington United

PHYSIO:
Mark Edwards

TOUR LEADER: Ian Marshall

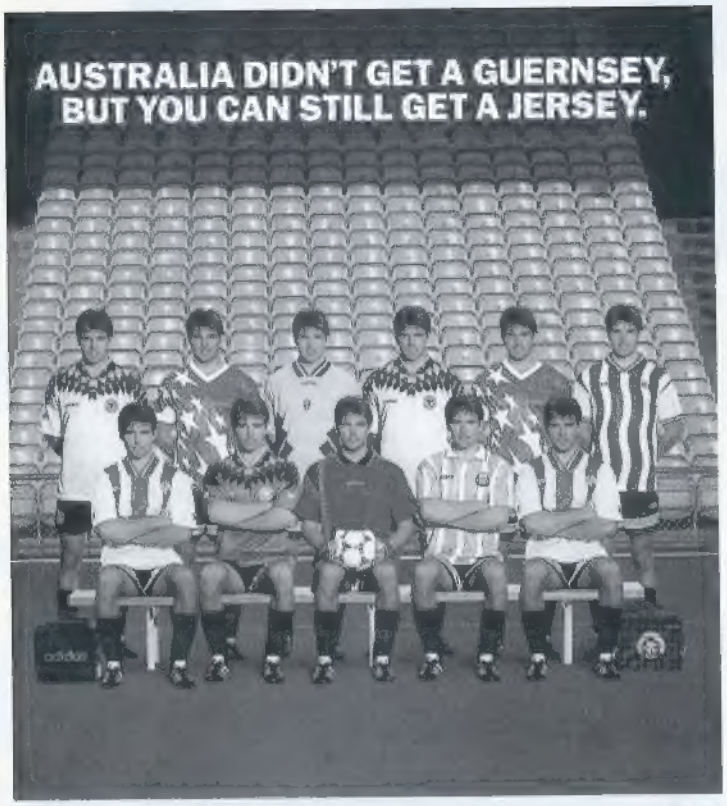
TONIGHT'S OFFICIALS

Referee: Simon Micallef
Linesmen: Stewart Lockrey
John Cameron

Reserve Referee: Brett Hugo
Inspector: John Judd

AUSTRALIA GOLD v AUSTRALIA GREEN

Referee: Jenny Bray
Linesmen: Ossie Bellamy
Jordan Langholz



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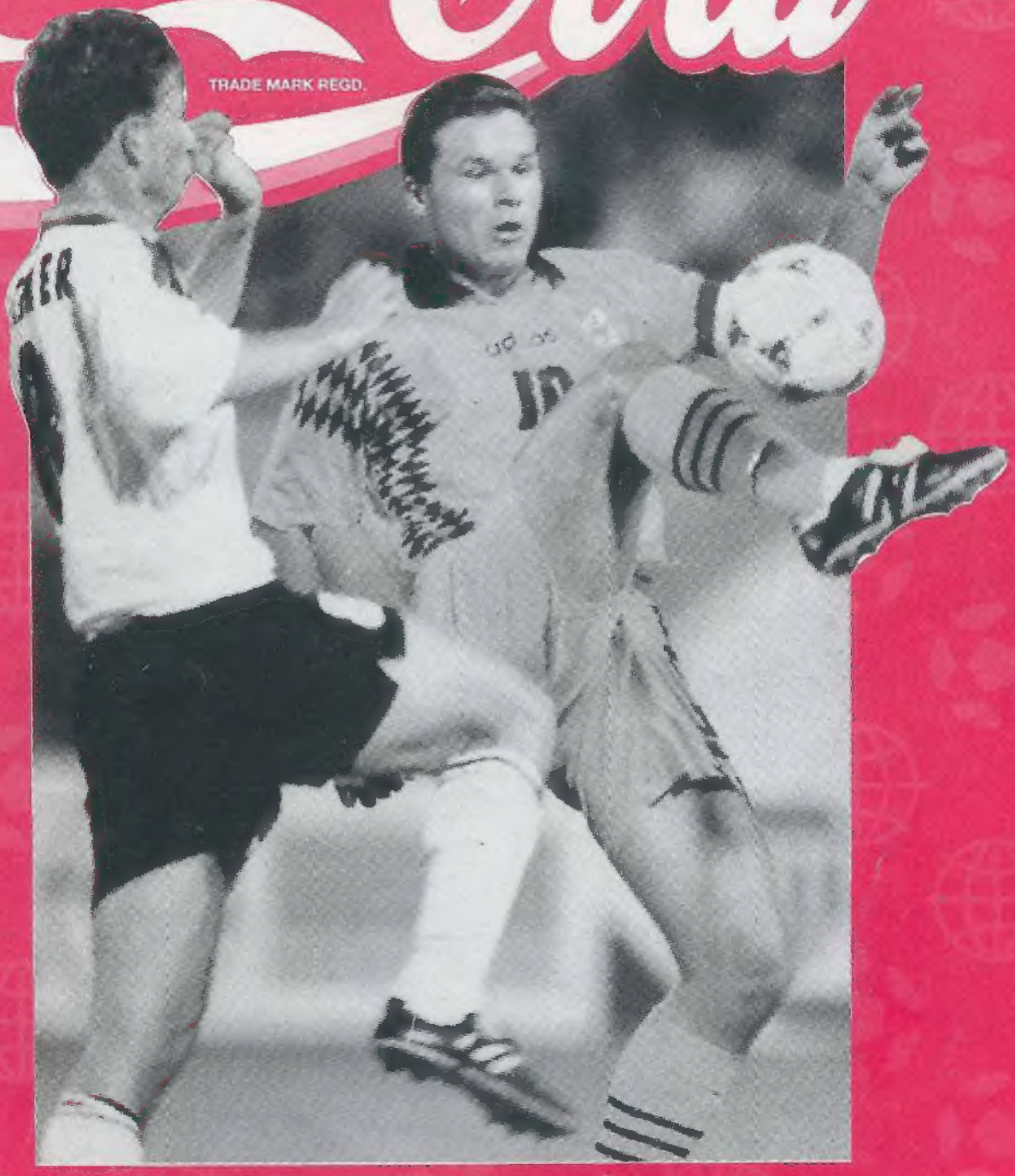

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